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SWIMMING POOLS

I. WHEN IS A BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED FOR A SWIMMING POOL?

A building permit is required for all private and public swimming pools. A private swimming pool is any constructed pool, eighteen (18") or more in depth, 12'-0" or more in diameter, or more than 100 SF in area.

Which is used, or intended to be used, for the family of the house-holders and their private guests. Any swimming pool other than a private pool shall be classified as a public swimming pool.

II. WHAT CODES/REGULATIONS ARE APPLICABLE?

All work performed must be in accordance with the Harrison Zoning Code, the Harrison Building Code, the Ohio Building Code (OBC), the Ohio Administrative Code and all other applicable laws and ordinances. Contact the following agencies:

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| Building Code Plans Examination: | 202-8494 |
| Zoning Code Administration: | 202-8494 |
| Ohio Department of Health (Public Pools only): | 1-614-644-5597 |
| IBI Bonding and Final | 381-6080 |

III. HOW DO I OBTAIN A PERMIT FOR A PRIVATE OR PUBLIC POOL?

Complete a building permit application, and submit four copies of plans for review to the Building Department, Community Center, 300 George Street, Harrison, OH 45030. A plan review fee must be paid at the time of application. The plans shall include the following:

A. Plot Plan Drawn to scale showing:

1. Property lines (and property dimensions);
2. All existing structures and the proposed pool;
3. Dimensions from the pool to property lines and to any other nearby structure;
 - a. A walk around an in-ground pool shall not be within 10' of a rear or side property line.
 - b. A deck around an above-ground pool shall not be within 10' of a rear or side property line, OR the edge of the above ground pool shall not be within 10' of a rear or side property BUT no deck can be installed at a later date
4. North arrow.

B. Construction Details

1. The pool and its structural elements shall be capable of accommodating all loading conditions in accordance with accepted design practices.
2. Any pool containing eighteen (18) inches or more of water shall have an enclosure surrounding the pool area.
 - a. The enclosure shall extend not less than **48 inches** above the ground. All gates shall

- be self-closing and self-latching with the latches placed at least **54 inches** above the ground.
3. At least one means of egress shall be provided to the pool. Treads of steps and ladders shall have slip-resistant surfaces and handrails.
 4. The pool and equipment shall be equipped to be completely emptied of water. The discharged water shall be disposed of in an approved manner.

IV. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS

All public swimming pools are required to have approval by the Ohio Department of Health in accordance with Rule 3701-31-03 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

The approval of all city, county and state authorities having jurisdiction over swimming pools shall be obtained by the applicant before applying to the code official for approval. Certified copies of these approvals shall be filed as part of the supporting data for the plan approval application. Public pools and towers or slide structures exceeding three meters in height shall be engineered and designed to withstand all applied loads. The towers or slide structures shall be provided with a stairway designed and constructed in accordance with the OBC.

Contact the aforementioned agencies for additional requirements and regulations for public pools.

V. WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I APPLY FOR MY PERMIT?

The aforementioned agencies will review the application. If any of the agencies have questions or comments, they will contact the person listed on the application. Upon receipt of the necessary approvals, the permit staff will notify the applicant that the permit is ready, and the balance of the permit fee will be due.

VI. WHAT IS REQUIRED AFTER THE PERMIT IS ISSUED?

All work must be performed in accordance with the approved plans, the Harrison Zoning Code, Harrison Building Code, Ohio Building Code, National Electric Code and other applicable ordinances. A plumbing permit may be required; call 202-8494. The permit will expire if work is not started, is postponed, abandoned or an inspection is not requested within one year of the issue date.

VII. INSPECTIONS REQUIRED (24-hour minimum notice)

Contact the Department of Buildings and Inspections at 202-8494 for private pools. For public pools, contact the Ohio Department of Health at 1-614-644-5597. An IBI inspection must be completed before scheduling final inspections.